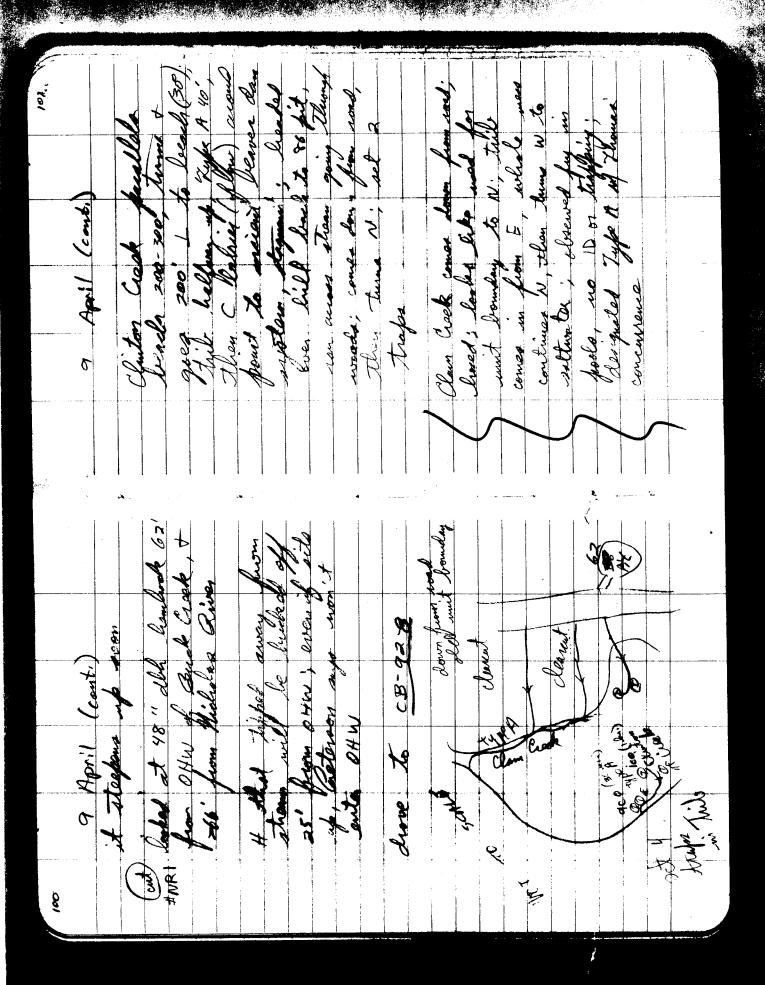
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SUBJECT : Forest Practices

Variation Requests -Nicholas Helicopter Units CB-92-5, CB-92-8. KL-92-19, KL-92-30-1, KL-92-32 and Wolf

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On June 9 to 11, 1992, you and Chris Westwood (DNR), Sam Thomas (SSI), Matt Keith (DEC), and I participated in a Forest Practices Inspection of Shaan-Seet Incorporated's (SSI's) variation requests in Nicholas Helicopter units KL-92-19, KL-92-30-1, KL-92-32 and Wolf Creek. On June 18, 1992, you and Chris Westwood; Sam Thomas, Clarence Clark and Thomas Mills (SSI); Matt Keith, and I participated in a Forest Practices Inspection of SSI's variation requests in Nicholas Helicopter units CB-92-5 and CB-92-8. This report covers those four days of inspections.

SUMMARY OF VARIATION REQUESTS

These requests involved 239 trees within 66' riparian buffers along nine Type A water bodies. Prior to the inspection, SSI flagged all but one of the buffers (Wolf Creek), numbered each tree, and measured diameter at breast height (dbh) for each tree. The majority of trees also were measured for distance to ordinary high water (OHW). Tables of this information were made available to us at the beginning of the field inspections; they were generally quite accurate, extremely valuable in efficiently evaluating these variation requests, and greatly appreciated.

Unit CB-92-5: Several anadromous streams cross this narrow unit lying between the Craig-Elawock Highway and Crab Bay. "Orange Creek" is a 2'-5' wide noncataloged anadromous... stream, generally sluggish but with periods of high water as evidenced by cut banks and undercut root masses on the The substrate is gravel, sand and silt. Five trees were requested for harvest within the buffer on the north side of this stream

Unit CB-92-8: Several anadromous streams cross this narrow unit lying between the Port Saint Nicholas Road and Port Bagial. Clam Creek is a 2'-10' wide noncataloged anadromous